SENATE IS WARNED ON SAUCERS IN SKY

Henry J. Taylor, Nominated as Envoy, Finds Reports of Sightings Disturbing

By RUSSELL BAKER
Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, May 4 — Henry J. Taylor, the Administration's newly appointed Ambassador to Switzerland, has cautioned the Senate not to laugh off reports of flying saucers.

About 10 per cent of the saucer reports, Mr. Taylor told the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, suggest to him that there is something disturbing and mysterious going on in the heavens.

His testimony was given Wednesday in closed session and released today.

The committee also released the testimony of Ambassador Charles E. Bohlen, the State Department's foremost student of Soviet affairs. He is being transferred from Moscow to Manila.

Mr. Bohlen, the testimony shows, confessed a general ignorance of the Orient and said that his only experience of the Philippines was a week's stopover there in 1928 when he was a seaman on a merchant ship.

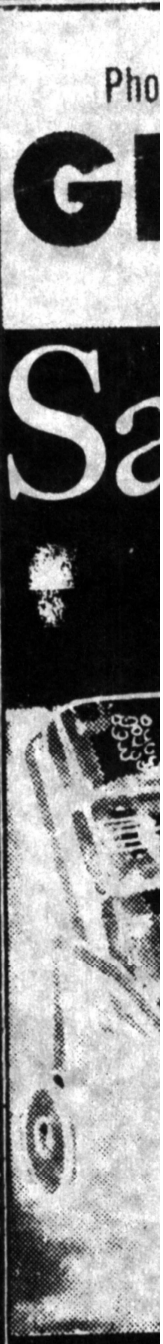
Nominations Approved

Mr. Taylor is an independently well-to-do writer and broadcaster who was formerly sponsored by General Motors Corporation. He has had no diplomatic experience. His and Mr. Bohlen's nominations were approved by the Foreign Relations Committee and are expected to pass the Senate without trouble.

Transcripts of the hearings show that committee questioning in each case was cursory. Senator Homer E. Capehart, Republican of Indiana, for example, wondered if Mr. Taylor would look up the German-Swiss family of the Capehart who emigrated to the New World in 1731.

Senator H. Alexander Smith, Republican of New Jersey, wanted to know why Mr. Taylor had studied at the University of Virginia instead of at Princeton. Mr. Smith also asked about reports that the new ambassador was a believer in the existence of "flying saucers."

"The more you get into that thing the more fascinating it is," Mr. Taylor replied.



FLYING OBJECTS BRING ON INQUIRY

Air Force Acts on Sightings in Texas and New Mexico Atom Testing Site

WASHINGTON, Nov. 4 (AP) —The Air Force said today it was investigating reports of a lighted object said by witnesses to have flown over West Texas and touched ground with strange results.

Reports of the object flying with a "great sound and rush of wind," and of such incidents as auto engines stopping as they approached it on the ground, came from several places over the week-end.

An Air Force spokesman said a preliminary investigation had been ordered. In reply to questions as to the significance of such an order, he said: "We don't investigate all of them, after all."

Preliminary investigations are made by available Air Force personnel in the area. General jurisdiction over reports of flying saucers and the like belongs to the Air Technical Intelligence Center at Wright-Patterson Base in Ohio, which orders more detailed investigations if preliminary check-ups indicate such a need.

An object reported yesterday near Levelland, Tex., was described variousty as a burning mass, a big light and a red, egg-shaped mass 200 feet long. Among those who said they had seen it were a sheriff and one of his deputies.

Spotted by Patrols

WHITE SANDS PROVING GROUNDS, N. M., Nov. 4 (AP)— The Army said today that a huge, oval object "nearly as bright as the sun" was spotted yesterday above bunkers used in the first atomic explosion.

The sightings were made seventeen hours apart by two military police patrols on this missile testing range. The first atomic bomb was touched off on the northern edge of the area in 1945.

The commanding officer of the M. P.'s said none had heard radio reports or seen newspaper accounts of similar sightings in Texas.

Both sightings were in the area of abandoned bunkers used by technicians who observed the first atomic explosion. The bunkers are of reinforced concrete and dirt, and contain no equipment or personnel. The explosion site, leveled and filled in, is several miles away.

One patrol saw a bright light that took off at a 45-degree angle and started blinking. Then it disappeared.

An earlier sighting was made by two soldiers in a jeep. They noticed a "very bright object" high in the sky. It descended until it was about fifty yards above the bunkers when it went out, they reported.

A few minutes later, they said, "the object became real bright, like the sun, then fell in an angle to the ground and went out." It was described as seventy-five to 100 yards in diameter and shaped like an egg. An officer accompanied some M. P.'s to the site but found nothing.

Neither patrol had had motor trouble with their jeeps.

Incident in Chicago

CHICAGO, Nov. 4 (UP)—Three suburban policmen said today they had seen an aerial phenomenon similar to one reported in West Texas and New Mexico.

They said a bright, cigar-shaped cylinder had appeared in the early morning, and had dimmed the headlights and spotlight of their squad car. They chased it until it rose out of sight, they added.

Senator Capehart in Hospital

INDIANAPOLIS, Nov. 4 (AP) —Senator Homer E. Capehart was admitted to St. Vincent's Hospital here today for minor surgery. The Indiana Republican's physician said he would be confined to the hospital for three or four days.

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Investigators Using Radar Find No Evidence of Flying Objects

WASHINGTON, Nov. 5 (AP)—The Air Force said today no radar sighting of strange flying objects had been reported by its investigators.

It began an inquiry after having received reports of objects from several places in the country and at sea. Some of the reports spoke of an egg-shaped object several hundred feet long. Word of sightings has come recently from Texas, New Mexico and other states.

The Air Force said it had received no report yet on the sighting of a fast-moving bright object in the Gulf of Mexico by the crew of a Coast Guard cutter.

Such reports, as well as those of sightings ashore, are referred to the Air Force for investigation. The Navy said it would make no independent investigations.

In the last ten years the Air Force has investigated 5,700 reports of strange objects, 250 of them between January and June this year. All but a small fraction have been explained as aircraft, astronomical phenomena, hoaxes or hallucinations, it said.

Attributed to Outer Space

BUFFALO, N. Y., Nov. 5 (AP)—A Bell Aircraft Corporation engineer said today that the traveling lights reported over Texas and other states had come from outer space.

"They do not fit in with any of our knowledge concerning mechanics or electronics," Edward L. Kramer declared.

He said the lights were apparently the same as a bright orange object he and others reported having seen over Buffalo early last month.

"These objects, of course, are entirely out of the conception of the earth," he added.

Called Mirages

CAMBRIDGE, Mass., Nov. 5 (UP)—Dr. Donald H. Menzel, director of the Harvard College Observatory, said tonight that the mysterious flying objects were mirages.

"It's no great surprise to me that there has been another flying saucer scare," he said, "because there are just as many now as there were in 1947 and 1948 when the first flying saucer scare started.

He said the phenomenon was caused by "heated air close to the ground which can form an image of objects fifty to 100 miles away."

"The current rash of flying saucers is tied in with the sensitization of people to the sputniks," he declared.

Falls in Alexandria

CAIRO, Nov. 5 (UP)—A flaming object bounced into a schoolyard in Alexandria today. Russian scientists who rushed to the scene from the atoms-for-peace exhibit here identified it as part of a short-range missile.

The object, three inches long, two inches wide and less than an inch thick, was made of white rubber and equipped with three lenses.

The newspaper Al Akhbar here reported that a fireball streaked across the sky yesterday. It said several persons had seen it. However, the Helwan Observatory said it had not observed the phenomenon.

No planes were flying over Alexandria when the object struck.

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Strange Radio Signals Mystify Experts at Listening Posts Here

A strange new radio signal, unlike the recognizable electronic voices of Soviet earth satellites, has been picked up here during the last few days by both Government and private monitors.

The Defense Department confirmed last night that the mysterious signal had been received at Army listening posts on a frequency of 14.286 megacycles. Signals definitely identified as having come from the Russian satellites have been on frequencies of 20.005 and 40.002 megacycles.

The phenomenon has excited the curiosity of commercial radio companies and amateur "hams" as well as the Defense Department.

Even more baffling was the fact that the source of the unidentified signal apparently was moving.

The Radio Corporation of America, which operates sensitive receivers at Riverhead, L. I., for picking up transatlantic messages, was alerted yesterday by a telephone call from an amateur operator. A receiver was immediately tuned to 14.286 megacycles.

An RCA spokesman said "a sort of wobbly" signal was picked up at 5:10 P.M. It increased in strength, and by 5:15 was "quite good." Directional antennas then indicated the greatest strength from about 50 degrees east of due North.

By 5:20 P.M., the strange signal was at its peak intensity, but by this time its source had moved 15 degrees to the east.

The best reception coincided with the strongest signal from the second Russian satellite, which RCA heard for the second time during the afternoon between 5:18 and 5:26 P.M.

RCA had also picked up the earth satellite's signal between 3:31 and 3:49 P. M.

Clear signals from the satellite were also received yesterday by the Navy Research Laboratory in Washington, headquarters in this country for satellite radio study. The Laboratory's Minitrack system, an intricate receiving and electronic computing network designed specifically for tracking artificial satellites, recorded "grand slugs of data."

The signals identified as coming from the satellite were received on the 40 megacycle band. None was received from the satellite's other transmitter, which broadcasts at 20 megacycles. These two frequencies were also used by the first Russian satellite, whose radios have died.

The 40 megacycle transmitter broadcasts a continuous, steady tone. The 20 megacycle radio reportedly sends a continuous series of "beeps."

Better exchange of scientific data among the allies was spurred by the recent meeting here between the President and the Prime Minister of Britain, Sir Harold Macmillan.

News of the Dec. 3 meeting of the President with leaders of Congress came from an authoritative source. The date has not been announced by the White House, though the President has said he wants to talk to the leaders before he goes to the North Atlantic Treaty Organization meeting to be held in Paris in mid-December. Data exchange is a touchy subject at the Capitol and the meeting will lay the foundation for a sharp battle for the Administration's desires.

This fight will center on the Atomic Energy Act and the restrictions it puts upon the exchange of data relating to nuclear weapons.

Several lesser Presidential actions and plans also were announced today by the White House.

General Eisenhower authorized an additional allotment of $900,000 in emergency disaster relief for Louisiana areas hit by Hurricane Audrey.

Mrs. Wheaton announced that General Eisenhower would speak Feb. 24 to a meeting here of the National Food Conference.

She said the President would fly by helicopter on Friday to the dedication of the new headquarters of the Atomic Energy Commission at near-by Germantown, Md. She said he would not use the small Bell helicopter assigned to the White House but would fly in "a larger one" with A. E. C. officials.

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NEW OBJECT IN SKY REPORTED BY TOKYO

TOKYO, Wednesday, Nov. 6 (AP)—The director of the Tokyo Astronomical Observatory said today an object appeared to be preceding the second Soviet earth satellite in its orbit.

Prof. Masashi Miyagi said it might be part of the rocket that launched the Soviet Union's second satellite.

"It was observed over both Tokyo and Sendai today two minutes before the satellite appeared," he said.

Soviet scientists said previously that the second satellite was the final stage of the carrier rocket, and it had been assumed it had no companion in its globe-girdling flight. The first satellite was accompanied and subsequently passed, by the final stage of the rocket that hoisted it.

"All we can say today is that an object flying approximately at the same altitude and in the same orbit as the artificial moon was observed at two places in Japan," Professor Miyagi said.

"Our observatories will watch for it tomorrow and then we will be able to determine what it is," he said. "The brightness of this second object is of the fourth magnitude."

The satellite was observed at seventeen different sites in Japan between 5:10 A. M. and 5:13 A. M. It was moving in a southwest to northeast direction, the observatory reported.

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Army; Hugh M. Milton, Assistant Secretary of the Army;

BRILLIANT VENUS DRAWS INQUIRIES

Mysterious Object Identified as Planet—Aurora Borealis Also Stumps Watchers

Satellite-conscious sky watchers on the East Coast witnessed last night an unusually bright display of the Aurora Borealis, or northern lights.

The aurora appeared in the northern sky soon after newspapers and astronomical institutions in New York and other cities had received numerous telephone inquiries about a bright light on the southwest horizon. The astronomers agreed unanimously that this light was the planet Venus, now approaching its greatest brilliance.

Reports also came from other parts of the country of mysterious or weird objects sighted in the skies.

A flurry of telephone calls here to newspapers and the Hayden Planetarium regarding Venus had barely subsided when calls about "red clouds in the sky" began to come in.

Observers here said they saw the northern lights between 8:15 and a few minutes after 9 P. M.

James S. Pickering, assistant astronomer at the Hayden Planetarium, saw the aurora from his home in suburban Maplewood, N. J. He described it as one of the most brilliant displays seen in this vicinity for a long time.

The brilliance of the aurora was associated by Mr. Pickering with the recent sunspot activity that has disrupted radio and television waves. It was partly because these solar flare-ups were expected that this period was chosen by scientists for the International Geophysical Year, which began in July and will end on Dec. 31, 1958.

Freak short wave radio activity has been reported for the last week. Mr. Pickering said it was normal for northern lights to appear from two to four days after sunspot effect on radio has been noted.

Venus will reach its greatest brilliance Dec. 23.

U. S. Asks Americas To Organize Atom Unit

Special to The New York Times.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 6—The United States proposed today the formation of an inter-American nuclear energy commission.

The proposal was made to the Council of the Organization of American States. The Council referred the proposal to the Governments of the twenty-one American republics with a request for comment within two weeks.

Formation of the commission would fulfill a recommendation of a committee of Presidential representatives created after President Eisenhower had called together the Presidents of the American republics at Panama.

The resolution put before the Council by John C. Dreier of the United States would set up a special committee to draft a statute for the proposed commission and recommend preparatory steps for its first meeting.

5,700 Studies Negative

Special to The New York Times.

DAYTON, Ohio, Nov. 6—The Air Technical Intelligence Center said that first-hand investigations had been made of 5,700 reported sightings of flying saucers and other unidentified subjects in the ten-year period between 1947-57, but that no physical evidence had been found of anything not identifiable.

A spokesman for the intelligence center said that all reports had been given the "most thorough" analysis, involving the services also of top-level scientists in many fields, to be sure that the fidings were impartial and "above all, informed." The intelligence center said that it had added about 250 cases of new "sightings" to the report it made on the same subject about a year ago.

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procrastination by the Government would have a "grave psychological effect" on research personnel was made by Dr. Carl C. Chambers, vice president for engineering affairs at the University of Pennsylvania.

This university has defense research contracts valued at more than $2,000,000.

"Fluctuations in planning and financing have led our scientists into suspicion and doubt about doing further defense research projects," Dr. Chambers said. "Creation of much more doubt

on Project Research and Inventions and chairman of the Engineering College Research Council, representing 110 engineering colleges, said the impact of the Defense Department's limitations on expenditures "has done serious damage to research programs and harmed the relationship between the Defense Department and the universities."

The defense cutbacks have

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Announcement of the project came from Kirtland Air Force base.

Col. McPherson Morgan, head of the scientific team, said that "there are several interesting phenomena of a nuclear explosion and some are more affected by the presence of air than others."

He said his team of scientists was interested "in those weapons effects which can be exploited when air is absent."

Colonel Morgan declined to say whether these effects could be used to destroy an I. C. B. M. But he added:

"We feel that we have ways of destroying nuclear and non-nuclear rockets out in space."

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AMSTERDAM, the Nether- nd, Nov. 15 (Reuters)—The therlands Federation of Trade ions announced today it would t press for further general y increases in the interests of national economy. The fed- tion has 500,000 members. Its dge followed a similar prom- two days ago by the 217,000- mber Protestant Christian tional Union.

are designed to measure cosmic rays, temperatures and impact of meteoritic particles and radio the measurements back to earth. There are two radios in it. One will operate for two or three weeks. The other, of very low power and difficult to receive, will continue transmitting, it is hoped, for several months.

At least four other satellite projects are still being pursued by the naval laboratory with such collaborators as the University of Wisconsin and the Army Signal Corps. The University of Iowa will continue to collaborate on the project here.

Dr. W. H. Pickering, director of the California Institute's laboratory, said no time-table for consummation of the various projects had been set forth.

AIR FORCE REFUTES FLYING SAUCER TALES

WASHINGTON, Nov. 15 (AP) —The Air Force said today that it had looked into five recent reports of mysterious lights and strange objects from the sky—and there was not a flying saucer in the lot.

The Air Force report gave the most severe description—"hoax"—to the most vivid of the stories that began circulating after Soviet satellites had turned the attention of Americans skyward. This was an account from a man in Kearney, Neb., of having been shown around the interior of a spaceship by its German-speaking crew.

The Air Force's technical investigators also dismissed as exaggerations or misunderstood natural phenomena other recent saucer reports. These included stories of a huge glowing object touching ground near Levelland, Tex., and causing automobiles to stall, somewhat similar reports from near Alamogordo, N. M.; bright lights seen from a Coast Guard cutter in the Gulf of Mexico and by planes patraling near White Sands, N. M.

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Kremlin office. He answered questions submitted in advance and replied in a personal interview at a long, baize-covered conference table. The party leader was accompanied by Leonid F. Ilyichev, Foreign Minister press chief, and a stenographer.

The party chief said that a third world war would not necessarily mean the end of mankind, as some scientists had predicted, but would mean the annihilation of the capitalist system.

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When it was pointed out that the West had NATO bases circling the Soviet Union, he replied:

"It is true that we are surrounded by American bases. But we have our intercontinental ballistic missile rockets and submarines. Our subma-

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HIGH SPEED OBJECTS REPORTED IN THE SKY

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 (AP)—A retired rear admiral, once head of the Navy's guided-missiles program, said today reliable reports indicated that "there are objects coming into our atmosphere at very high speeds."

Admiral Delmer S. Fahrney told a news conference that "no agency in this country or Russia is able to duplicate at this time the speeds and accelerations which radars and observers indicate these flying objects are able to achieve."

There are signs that "an intelligence" directs such objects "because of the way they fly," the admiral went on.

"They are not entirely actuated by automatic equipment," he said. "The way they change position in formations and override each other would indicate that their motion is directed."

An Air Force spokesman said that service was still investigating all reports but had found no concrete evidence that there were flying saucers. He said that a majority of the reports had been found upon checking to have some logical explanation, but that a percentage remained unexplained.

Admiral Fahrney called a news conference following an organizational meeting of a new private group, the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena, of which he is board chairman.

MASONS TO GIVE BLOOD

Collection Also to Be Made at Bank and National Guard

Members of the Masonic Order will give blood to the Red Cross today at Masonic Temple, 71 West Twenty-third Street.

Blood will also be collected at the Chemical Corn Exchange Bank, 30 Broad Street; the

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MISTRIAL VERDICT FOR CONFIDENTIAL

Foreman Tells Judge Jury Is Hopelessly Split 7 to 5 in Libel Conspiracy Case

LOS ANGELES, Oct. 1 (AP)—The criminal libel conspiracy trial of Confidential magazine ended today with the jury split 7—5 for conviction.

The jury was discharged fifteen days after it had received the case when it reported it could not agree on a verdict.

One juror told newsmen the jurors had engaged in "big fights" during their long consideration of the case.

Superior Judge Herbert V. Walker declared a mistrial after being told by Fred L. McCulley, jury foreman, he was convinced a verdict could not be reached with further deliberation.

Deputy District Attorney William L. Ritzi, who prosecuted the case, said after the jury was released:

"Naturally, the case will be retried. But I am very disappointed with the result of this trial."

Arthur J. Crowley, defense attorney, said:

"I feel very good about it. After the prosecution tried everything in the book, they couldn't get a conviction."

Oct. 10 Set for Hearing

Judge Walker set Oct. 10 for a hearing to fix the retrial date.

Fred Meade, who was a defendant along with his wife, Marjorie, said:

"We are glad it's over, but we had expected acquittal."

LaGuerre Drouet, a juror, the most outspoken member of the jury through the long trial, disclosed to newsmen that on the majority of ballots the margin for conviction was 7—5.

Mr. Drouet said that he was a member of the minority voting for acquittal.

"We had a big fight over reading the books," Mr. Drouet told reporters.

The books were novels introduced by the defense to show that material far more obscene than anything published in Confidential and its sister magazine, Whisper, was readily available on the newsstands.

Mr. Drouet said some of the jurors objected to reading passages in the books, which the defense had cited as obscene.

Freedom of Press Cited

Mr. Drouet said that as far as he was concerned the freedom of the press issue injected into the case by the defense was an important factor in his stand for acquittal.

Other members of the jury were not inclined to discuss the deliberations immediately and left to pick up their belongings at the downtown hotel where they have been quartered since Aug. 16.

The trial opened Aug. 2. The defense showered the movie colony with subpoenas and announced it was ready to put more than 100 celebrities on the stand to prove that scandal stories about them were true.

But Judge Walker ruled that testimony would have to be confined to thirteen Confidential and Whisper stories read to the jury by the prosecution.

The defense did not call one celebrity as a witness.

NEW SOVIET FLYING DISK

Machine Recalls Observation Platform Built in U. S.

Special to The New York Times.

MOSCOW, Oct. 1—A Soviet popular science magazine says the Soviet Union has developed what it calls a "flying saucer."

The machine looks like a new type of flying platform that is being developed in the United States for military observation and reconnaissance.

The magazine Znaniye—Sila says the Soviet model hes four ducted fans that suck up air and enable the machine to rise vertically and hover.

Iraqi Official in Syria

DAMASCUS, Syria, Oct. 1 (AP)—Nadim Pajahji, Iraq's national economy minister, arrived today to negotiate a trade and payment agreement aimed at bringing an end to the commercial paralysis between Syria and Iraq.

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'FLYING DISKS' FAIL TO STIR AIR FORCES

WASHINGTON, July 3 (AP)—A preliminary inquiry into reports that strange "flying disks" have been whizzing at 1,200 miles an hour over the Western United States "has not produced enough fact to warrant further investigation," an Army Air Forces spokesman said today.

The official said "we don't have a thing that would give any realism" to a report made last week by a flying Boise (Idaho) business man. He said he saw nine mysterious objects—big as airplanes—racing over Washington State's Cascade Range. Several other persons in widely scattered localities later said they had glimpsed similar objects.

The Air Forces spokesman said the Army has no new experimental planes or guided missiles which would fit such a description. He said Air Forces people are inclined to believe either that the observers just imagined they saw something, or that there is some meteorological explanation for the phenomenon.

However, Wright Field (Dayton, Ohio) public relations officials said the Air Matériel Command is making an investigation of "saucer-shaped" missiles seen recently in the Pacific Northwest and Texas.

Describing conversations with "a meteorologist from Langley Field, the Washington Air Forces spokesman said these meteorological "maybes" have been discussed: That solar reflections on low-hanging clouds produced spectral "flashes" which might have appeared like moving objects. That a small meteor might have broken up. That icing conditions in high clouds produced "large hailstones which might have flattened out and glided a bit."

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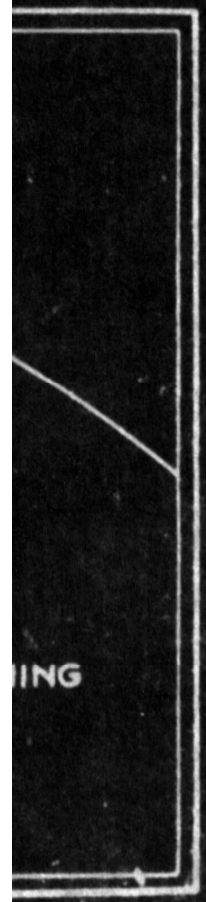

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ballistic missile testing, as stated in official Defense Department releases, is not a target at all, in the common usage of the term, but actually is 10,000 square miles of Atlantic Ocean," it said through its board.

"The board deplores the apparent willingness to permit the people of America to remain uninformed, and even misinformed, on major issues regarding our own weapons development."

It saw "no reason why the American people should not be told that our military services have yet to fire a long-range ballistic missile with a guidance system other than a modified auto-pilot.

"We see no reason why the public should not know that, to date, the Air Force Thor missile has flown more than 500 miles further than any other American ballistic missile," it continued.

It charged that the Administration was meeting the Soviet challenge in new weapons with press releases. It called for an increase in the Federal debt ceiling, if necessary, to speed defense programs.

Soviet Plans Volcano Power

LONDON, Nov. 3 (AP)—The Soviet Union has started building a "volcano energy" power station, the Moscow radio reported today. It will work from the hot volcanic springs in the Kamchatka Peninsula of eastern Siberia, the broadcast said.

teachers. Mr. Benton quickly agreed.

Flying 'Egg' Reported Over Texas Highway

LEVELLAND, Tex., Nov. 3 (UP)—A glowing egg-shaped object reportedly streaked over west Texas and New Mexico last night. One man said he saw it sitting on a highway.

James A. Lee of Abilene, who said he had spent twenty years studying "flying saucers," said, "I think it's a space craft."

Mr. Lee is a member of the National Investigations Committee on Aerial Phenomena.

The object was also reported seen in the vicinities of Midland, 110 miles south of Levelland, and Clovis, N. M., about seventy miles northwest of Levelland.

Jesse D. Long of Waco said the object had killed the engine of his automobile and put out the headlights. Two other motorists said it had done the same thing to their cars.

Mr. Long said the object appeared to be about 200 feet long and landed in the highway in front of his car. When he got out to investigate the thing took off straight up, he said.

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Nominations Approved

Mr. Taylor is an independently well-to-do writer and broadcaster who was formerly sponsored by General Motors Corporation. He has had no diplomatic experience. His and Mr. Bohlen's nominations were approved by the Foreign Relations Committee and are expected to pass the Senate without trouble.

Transcripts of the hearings show that committee questioning in each case was cursory. Senator Homer E. Capehart, Republican of Indiana, for example, wondered if Mr. Taylor would look up the German-Swiss family of the Capehart who emigrated to the New World in 1731.

Senator H. Alexander Smith, Republican of New Jersey, wanted to know why Mr. Taylor had studied at the University of Virginia instead of at Princeton. Mr. Smith also asked about reports that the new ambassador was a believer in the existence of "flying saucers."

"The more you get into that thing the more fascinating it is," Mr. Taylor replied.

'Difficult to Deny'

He has not "the faintest idea what is happening," Mr. Taylor said, "but it is very difficult to deny that something is happening around us that we just don't quite understand."

About 90 per cent of the sightings reported are "ridiculous, or publicity seekers, or misconceptions, or optical illusions," he said.

But about one of every ten reports, he added, is "very disturbing." There are "too many sober-minded people with photographic and other evidence" who have sighted objects, he said.

"Something is apparently happening in about 8 or 10 per cent of these sightings in various parts of the world which is not clear. I just don't think that we know all the secrets of the universe yet."

In answer to other questions, Mr. Taylor said he thought he was qualified for the Ambassadorship because he had studied and written about the Swiss economy, spoke French and could read "a little German."

Green Voices Misgivings

At the Bohlen hearing Senator Theodore Francis Green, Democrat of Rhode Island and committee chairman, again voiced misgivings about transferring an Ambassador from a country he understands "thoroughly" to one with which he is "unfamiliar."

In his twenty-eight years in the foreign service, Mr. Bohlen testified, his work has been exclusively in Europe except for nine months of pre-Pearl Harbor duty in Japan and six months internment there after World War II began.

"I can't claim that I developed any profound knowledge of the Orient," he said.

He has had no experience of China, he added, and spoke no Spanish though the wide use of English in the Philippines would probably preclude a language problem.

Senator William F. Knowland, Republican of California, defended the transfer on grounds that it was "extremely important" to have "a trained and able foreign service officer" in the Philippines at this time.

FILM MEN WARN OF BAN

U. S. Companies Threaten End of Shipments to Philippines

The nation's ten major film companies have threatened to halt all shipments of American movies to the Philippines. They

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